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<b>Country/ entity</b>	India Mizoram
<b>Region</b>	Asia and Pacific Asia and Pacific
<b>Agreement name</b>	Memorandum of Understanding Between the Government of Mizoram and the Bru National Liberation Front (BNLF)
<b>Date</b>	26 Apr 2005
<b>Agreement status</b>	Multiparty signed/agreed
<b>Interim arrangement</b>	Yes
<b>Agreement/ conflict level</b>	Intrastate/intrastate conflict ( India-Adivasi Conflicts (1955 - ) (Northeast India) )
<b>Stage</b>	Framework/substantive - comprehensive
<b>Conflict nature</b>	Government/territory
<b>Peace process</b>	India-Hmar-Bodoland peace process
<b>Parties</b>	SURYAMONI President, BNLF H.V.LALRINGA, Chief Secretary Govt, of Mizoram
<b>Third parties</b>	-
<b>Description</b>	Agreement bringing an end to the conflict between the Government of Mizoram and the BNLF whereby the BNLF agrees to lay down arms and dissolve, and the government puts in place new forms of development.

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## Groups

Children/ youth	No specific mention.
Disabled persons	No specific mention.

Elderly/age No specific mention.

Migrant workers No specific mention.

Racial/ethnic/national group No specific mention.

Religious groups No specific mention.

Indigenous people Groups→Indigenous people→Substantive  
Page 2, 7.  
The Government of Mizoram will take steps for changing Reang to Bru in the Scheduled Tribe List.

Page 2-3, 8.  
After BNLF lay down their arms and join the mainstream, the state Government will take all necessary steps to accelerate the pace of development in western belt of Mizoram covering all Bru settlements. The Special Development Project will be implemented depending upon the quantum of financial assistance received from the Central Government. The Government of Mizoram shall continue to work for the socio - economic upliftment of the Bru people living in different districts of Mizoram.

Page 3, 10.  
The Government of Mizoram agrees to take necessary measures for inclusion of eligible Bru voters in the Electoral Roll with due process of law after they are resettled inside Mizoram.

Other groups No specific mention.

Refugees/ displaced persons	<p>Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Substantive Page 1, 1. ...The Government of Mizoram on its part agrees to take back genuine Reangs from Tripura refugee camps.</p> <p>Page 2, 5. Rehabilitation and resettlement of the BNLF returnees and their family members will be carried out as per scheme prepared separately. The BNLF returnees will be accommodated at Tuipuibari rehabilitation camps for a period not exceeding three months.</p> <p>Page 3, 9. The scheme of reception, rehabilitation and resettlement of repatriated Reang refugees will be implemented after the BNLF lay down their arms.</p>
Social class	No specific mention.

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## Gender

Women, girls and gender	No specific mention.
Men and boys	No specific mention.
LGBTI	No specific mention.
Family	<p>Page 2, 5. Rehabilitation and resettlement of the BNLF returnees and their family members will be carried out as per scheme prepared separately. The BNLF returnees will be accommodated at Tuipuibari rehabilitation camps for a period not exceeding three months.</p>

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## State definition

Nature of state (general)	No specific mention.
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State configuration No specific mention.

Self determination No specific mention.

Referendum No specific mention.

State symbols No specific mention.

Independence/ secession No specific mention.

Accession/ unification No specific mention.

Border delimitation No specific mention.

Cross-border provision No specific mention.

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## **Governance**

Political institutions (new or reformed) No specific mention.

Elections Page 3, 10.  
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Electoral commission No specific mention.

Political parties reform No specific mention.

Civil society No specific mention.

Traditional/religious leaders No specific mention.

Public administration No specific mention.

Constitution No specific mention.

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## **Power sharing**

Political power sharing No specific mention.

Territorial power sharing No specific mention.

Economic power sharing No specific mention.

Military power sharing No specific mention.

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## **Human rights and equality**

Human rights/RoL general No specific mention.

Bill of rights/  
similar      No specific mention.

Treaty incorporation      No specific mention.

Civil and political rights      No specific mention.

Socio-economic rights      No specific mention.

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### **Rights related issues**

Citizenship      No specific mention.

Democracy      No specific mention.

Detention procedures      No specific mention.

Media and communication      No specific mention.

Mobility/  
access      No specific mention.

Protection measures      No specific mention.

Other      No specific mention.

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## **Rights institutions**

NHRI            No specific mention.

Regional or    No specific mention.  
international  
human  
rights  
institutions

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## **Justice sector reform**

Criminal        No specific mention.  
justice and  
emergency  
law

State of        No specific mention.  
emergency  
provisions

Judiciary      No specific mention.  
and courts

Prisons and    No specific mention.  
detention

Traditional    No specific mention.  
Laws

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## Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or socio-economic reconstruction	Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Socio-economic development Page 2-3, 8. After BNLF lay down their arms and join the mainstream, the state Government will take all necessary steps to accelerate the pace of development in western belt of Mizoram covering all Bru settlements. The Special Development Project will be implemented depending upon the quantum of financial assistance received from the Central Government. The Government of Mizoram shall continue to work for the socio - economic upliftment of the Bru people living in different districts of Mizoram.
National economic plan	No specific mention.
Natural resources	No specific mention.
International funds	No specific mention.
Business	No specific mention.
Taxation	No specific mention.
Banks	No specific mention.

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## Land, property and environment

Land reform/ rights	No specific mention.
Pastoralist/ nomadism rights	No specific mention.



Cultural heritage No specific mention.

Environment No specific mention.

Water or riparian rights or access No specific mention.

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## **Security sector**

Security Guarantees No specific mention.

Ceasefire Security sector→Ceasefire→General commitments  
Page 1, 1.  
The BNLF agrees to lay down their arms and ammunitions and come overground to lead normal life as law abiding citizen...

Police No specific mention.

Armed forces No specific mention.

DDR No specific mention.

Intelligence services No specific mention.

Parastatal/ rebel and opposition group forces	<p>Page 1, 1. The BNLF agrees to lay down their arms and ammunitions and come overground to lead normal life as law abiding citizen...</p> <p>Page 1, 2. With the signing of agreement and immediately after laying down of their arms and ammunitions, the BNLF shall stand automatically dissolved and shall cease to exist.</p> <p>Page 1, 3. The BNLF will make a complete inventory of their arms and ammunitions and other equipments will be held at Tuipubari in Mizoram.</p> <p>Page 1, 4. After signing this agreement, the BNLF will neither recruit new members nor assist any other insurgent or underground outfit in the form of weapons, money or other assistance directly or indirectly.</p> <p>Page 2, 5. Rehabilitation and resettlement of the BNLF returnees and their family members will be carried out as per scheme prepared separately. The BNLF returnees will be accommodated at Tuipubari rehabilitation camps for a period not exceeding three months.</p>
Withdrawal of foreign forces	No specific mention.
Corruption	No specific mention.
Crime/ organised crime	No specific mention.
Drugs	No specific mention.
Terrorism	No specific mention.

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## Transitional justice

Transitional justice general	No specific mention.
Amnesty/pardon	Transitional justice→Amnesty/pardon→Amnesty/pardon proper Page 2, 6. The Government of Mizoram will grant amnesty to all those BNLF cadres having criminal cases inside the state. It shall also request other neighbouring state governments to do likewise in respect of those BNLF cadres who have been convicted and kept in jails outside Mizoram.
Courts	No specific mention.
Mechanism	No specific mention.
Prisoner release	No specific mention.
Vetting	No specific mention.
Victims	No specific mention.
Missing persons	No specific mention.
Reparations	No specific mention.
Reconciliation	No specific mention.

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## Implementation

UN signatory	No specific mention.
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Other international signatory No specific mention.

Referendum for agreement No specific mention.

International mission/force/similar No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism No specific mention.

Related cases No specific mention.

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